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Filed: March 22, 2006 Examiner: S.K. Singh
FOR: USE OF PROLINE SPECIFIC ENDOPROTEASES TO HYDROLYSE PEPTIDES
AND PROTEINS

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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Monday, January 26, 2009

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Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed November 24, 2008, entry and consideration of the following amendments and remarks are respectfully requested. Applicants petition for the period for response to be extended by one month and pay the required fee. If any other fee is required to fully consider this response, Applicants authorize the fee (or any deficiency therein) to be charged to Deposit Account 14-1140 under Order No. 4662-157.

The **claims** are presented on pages 2-5.

Claims 9, 11-12 and 14 are amended.

Remarks begin on page 6.